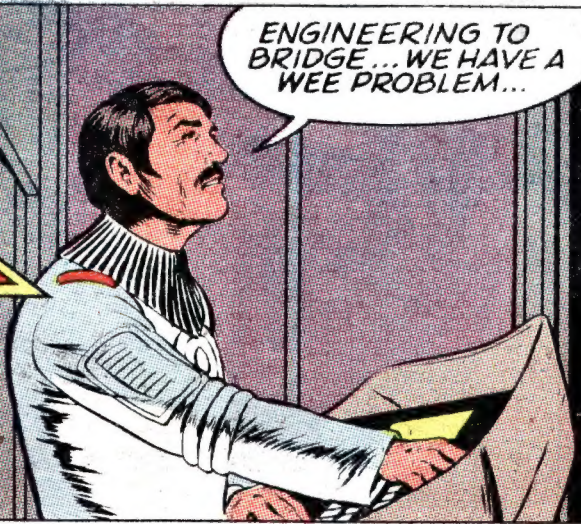


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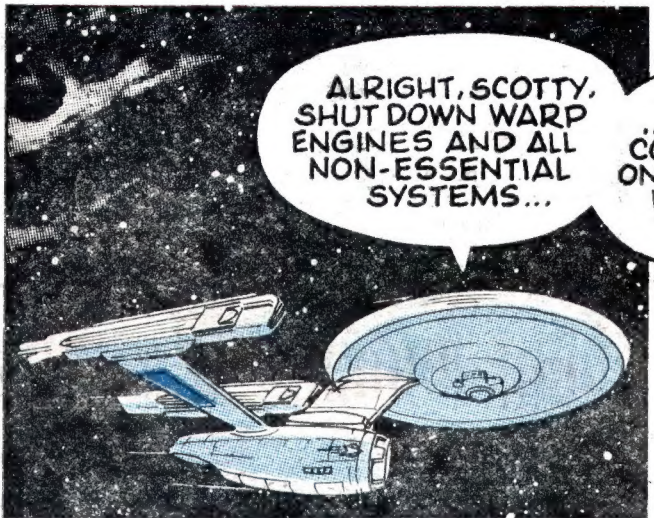
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**CAPTAIN'S LOG: STARDATE 7495.3**  
THE RECENT DRAIN UPON OUR DILITHIUM RESERVES CRITICALLY LIMITS OUR RANGE AND CAPABILITY. THE ENTERPRISE IS MARGINALLY OPERATIONAL.



ENGINEERING TO BRIDGE... WE HAVE A WEE PROBLEM...

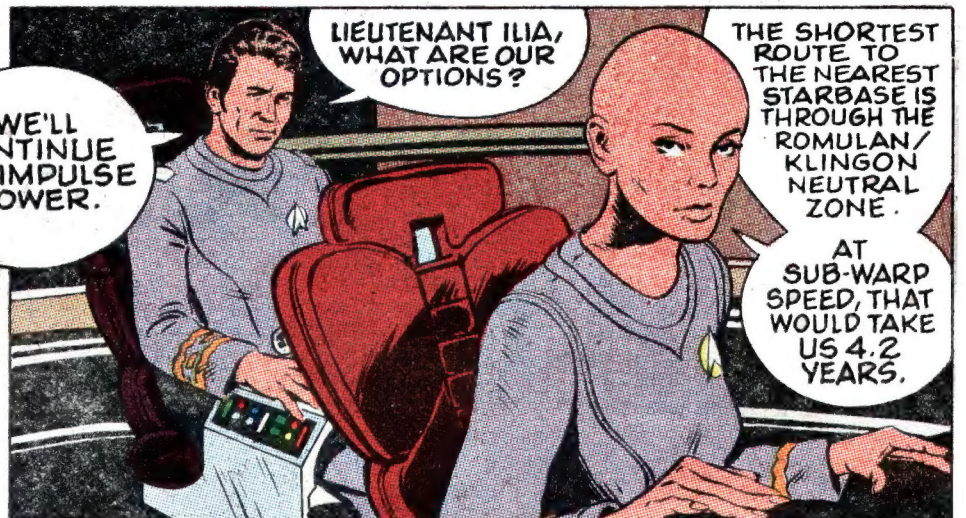
RESISTING THAT TRACTOR BEAM HAS FUSED NEARLY ALL OF OUR RESERVE DILITHIUM!



ALRIGHT, SCOTTY, SHUT DOWN WARP ENGINES AND ALL NON-ESSENTIAL SYSTEMS...

...WE'LL CONTINUE ON IMPULSE POWER.

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LIEUTENANT ILIA, WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS?

THE SHORTEST ROUTE TO THE NEAREST STARBASE IS THROUGH THE ROMULAN/KLINGON NEUTRAL ZONE.

AT SUB-WARP SPEED, THAT WOULD TAKE US 4.2 YEARS.



OR...WE COULD REACH PLANET FORMAVI IN NINE DAYS.

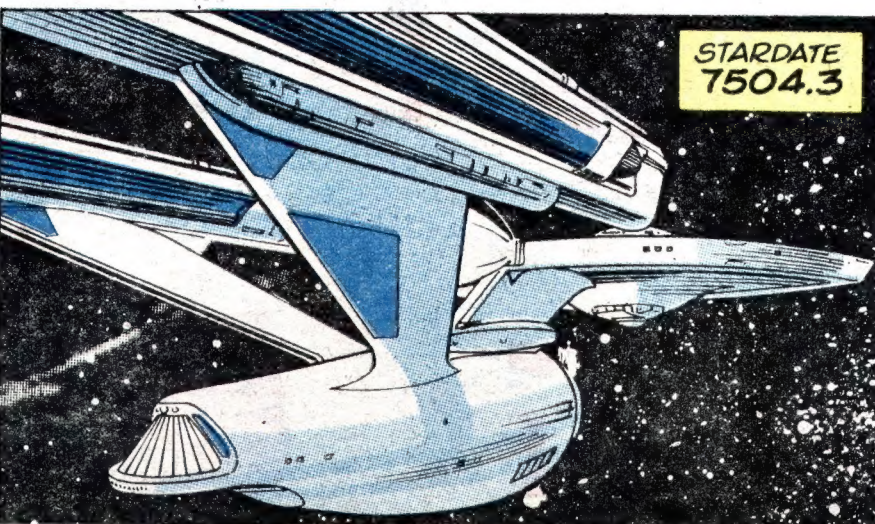
ACCORDING TO THE NAVI-COMPUTER, A MINING COLONY THERE CHOSE TO REMAIN AFTER THE DILITHIUM PLAYED OUT 80 YEARS AGO.



CAPTAIN, A "PLAYED-OUT" MINE MIGHT HAVE ENOUGH DILITHIUM REMAINING FOR OUR PURPOSE.

LET'S HOPE SO, SPOCK... I'M NOT EAGER TO SPEND YEARS CRAWLING PAST THE KLINGONS AND THE ROMULANS!

THOMAS WARKENTIN



STARDATE 7504.3

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CAPTAIN... FORMAVI COMING INTO SENSOR RANGE NOW, WITH TWO OBJECTS IN ORBIT... A WEATHER SATELLITE,



AND A KLINGON HEAVY CRUISER!

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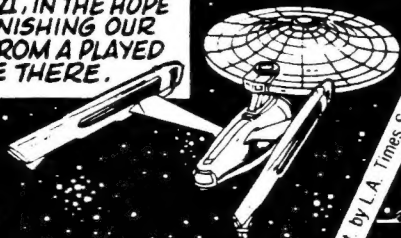




**CAPTAIN'S LOG:**  
STARDATE 7504.3  
ON THE THRESHOLD OF  
TOTAL BURNOUT OF OUR  
DILITHIUM RESERVES,  
WE ARE ENROUTE TO  
FORMA VI, IN THE HOPE  
OF REPLENISHING OUR  
SUPPLY FROM A PLAYED  
OUT MINE THERE.

FORMA VI COMING  
INTO SENSOR RANGE  
NOW, CAPTAIN

...WITH A KLINGON  
HEAVY CRUISER  
IN ORBIT!



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ABOARD THE KLINGON SHIP...

SOMETHING  
APPROACHING US  
...AT SUB WARP  
SPEED.



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CAPTAIN, APPROACHING  
VESSEL IS A STARFLEET  
HEAVY CRUISER...  
CONSTITUTION  
CLASS!

A STARFLEET SHIP...  
TRAVELING AT SUB-  
WARP SPEED...

THEY'RE  
DISABLED..



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...OR  
THEY'RE  
FAKING!

AT THIS RANGE, THE KLINGONS MUST ALREADY HAVE IDENTIFIED US.

AS A STARFLEET CRUISER, YES.  
THE SHAPE IS UNMISTAKABLE.

LIMPING TOWARD THEM ON IMPULSE-POWER WOULD BE INVITING TROUBLE.

...AND TRYING TO RUN FROM THEM COULD BE SUICIDAL!

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BRIDGE TO ENGINEERING:  
SCOTTY, A KLINGON SHIP IS  
ORBITING THE PLANET. CAN  
WE SUSTAIN WARP 5 FOR  
OUR FINAL APPROACH?

WE JUST MIGHT  
MANAGE WARP 3,  
BUT IT'D DRAIN US!  
...WE'D BE IN NO  
SHAPE FOR COMBAT!

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I KNOW,  
SCOTTY, BUT  
WITH A BIT  
OF LUCK WE'LL  
AVOID IT.

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ONLY A FOOL WOULD  
REVEAL A WEAKNESS  
TO A KLINGON!



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GO TO WARP 3,  
MISTER SULU.



WARP 3,  
AYE, SIR.

THE JUMP TO  
WARP SPEED IS  
INSTANTANEOUS.



CAPTAIN,  
STARFLEET  
VESSEL NOW  
CLOSING AT  
WARP 3!



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BATTLE  
STATIONS!

...AND CONTACT  
OUR GROUP ON  
THE PLANET..

I HAVE  
A TASK FOR  
THEM.



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CAPTAIN,  
THE KLINGONS  
HAVE LEFT  
ORBIT.

CAPTAIN'S LOG: STARDATE 7504.4  
OUR DILITHIUM NEARLY EXHAUSTED, WE  
ARE EN ROUTE TO FORMA VI TO REPLENISH  
OUR SUPPLY. RATHER THAN REVEAL OUR  
LIMITED CAPABILITY TO KLINGONS ALREADY  
IN ORBIT, WE ARE USING THE LAST OF OUR  
RESERVES TO APPROACH AT WARP SPEED.

KEEP ME POSTED, AND  
OPEN A CHANNEL TO  
THE COLONY.

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WELCOME, STAR-SHIP ENTERPRISE. WE SPEAK FOR THE COLONY.

CAPTAIN JAMES T. KIRK HERE... A KLINGON SHIP LEFT ORBIT AS WE APPROACHED. ...DO YOU NEED ASSISTANCE?



NO... THANK YOU. THEY'VE GONE... SUDDENLY.

THEY WERE... HORRIBLE!



THERE IS ANOTHER MATTER I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS. MAY WE LAND A PARTY?

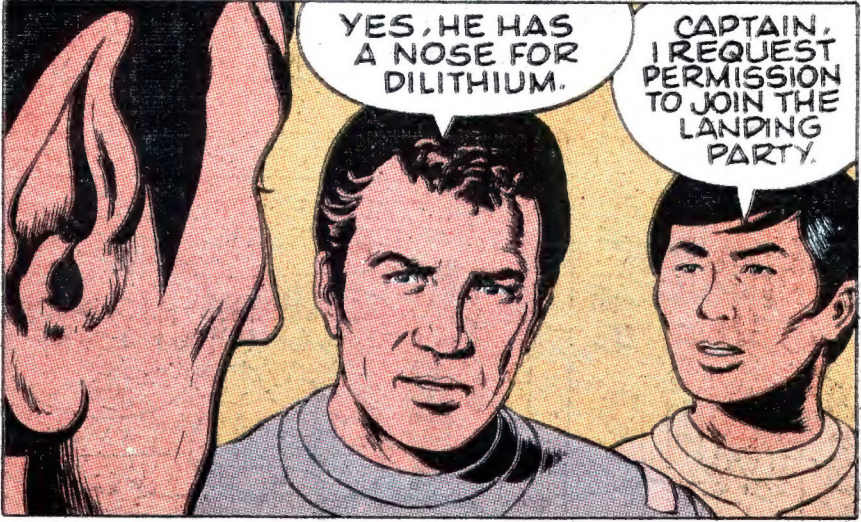
DO.

YES.



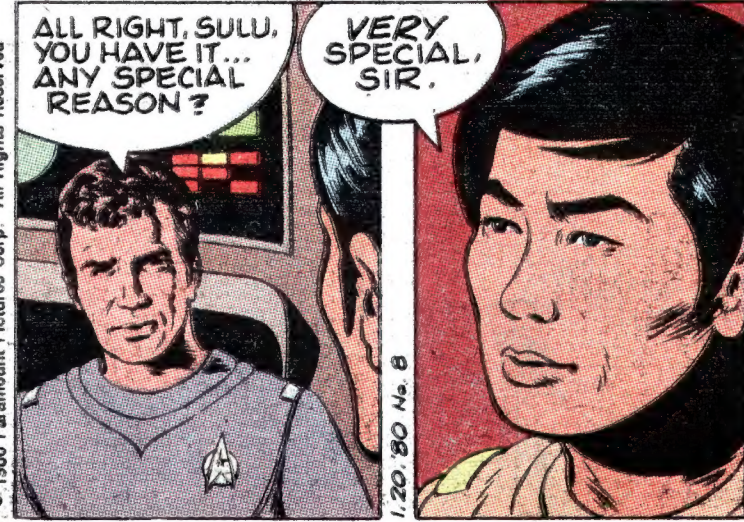
SPOCK, I'LL WANT YOU AND BONES IN THAT PARTY, AND OUR MINING ENGINEER...

ENSIGN TASKUL.



YES, HE HAS A NOSE FOR DILITHIUM.

CAPTAIN, I REQUEST PERMISSION TO JOIN THE LANDING PARTY.



ALL RIGHT, SULU, YOU HAVE IT... ANY SPECIAL REASON?

VERY SPECIAL, SIR.

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THE PLANET IS FAMOUS SIR...

AMONG BOTANISTS... FOR THE BEAUTY AND VARIETY OF ITS FLORA.

CAPTAIN'S LOG: STARDATE 7504.41 THE KLINGON S HAVE LEFT ORBIT AT OUR WARP SPEED APPROACH. WE HAVE MADE CONTACT WITH THE FORMA VI COLONY, AND RECEIVED PERMISSION TO LAND A PARTY.

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THEN YOU MUST SEE IT, SULU... I'M AWARE THAT BOTANY IS ONE OF YOUR SPECIAL INTERESTS.



TRANSPORTER ROOM TO BRIDGE

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SIR, THE WARP POWER DRAIN HAS LEFT THE TRANSPORTER WITH ONLY A RESIDUAL CHARGE...



I WOULDN'T TRUST IT WITH ANYTHING... ORGANIC.

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ALL RIGHT, RAND, WE'LL TAKE THE SHUTTLE.



SPOCK, ASSEMBLE THE LANDING PARTY ON THE HANGAR DECK.

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THE SHUTTLECRAFT IS  
DWARFED BY THE 288  
METER LENGTH OF THE  
GREAT STARSHIP.

THAT MUST BE  
THE COLONY UP  
AHEAD THERE.

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YOU'RE RIGHT.  
BULU... THIS IS A  
LOVELY PLANET!

BUT WHAT DID  
THE KLINGONS  
WANT HERE?

WE'LL SOON  
KNOW... THAT LOOKS  
LIKE A WELCOMING  
COMMITTEE.

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THE STARFLEET MEN  
ARE GIVEN A WARM  
WELCOME BY THE  
FORMA VI COLONISTS.

IT LOOKS  
AS IF WE  
HAVE YOU  
TO THANK  
FOR THE  
KLINGON'S  
SUDDEN  
EXIT.

WELCOME!

WE'RE  
GLAD TO  
SEE YOU!

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SPEAKING OF  
KLINGONS...

MAYBE I COULD  
DROP THEM  
FROM HERE.

"MAYBE" ISN'T  
GOOD ENOUGH...

AND SHUT UP...  
I'M THINKING!

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I'LL SHOW YOU  
THE MINE NOW, IF  
YOU LIKE, BUT IT *IS*  
PLAYED OUT.

WE'D  
STILL LIKE  
TO SEE IT.

THE KLINGONS  
WERE *FURIOUS*  
WHEN THEY  
FOUND NO  
DILITHIUM.

MISTER SULU, YOU  
EXPRESSED INTEREST  
IN OUR FLORA... WOULD  
YOU CARE FOR A  
GUIDED TOUR?

I'D LIKE  
THAT VERY  
MUCH.

DOCTOR  
McCOY, WILL  
YOU JOIN  
US?

IF IT'S A CHOICE  
BETWEEN BLUE SKY  
AND FLOWERS... OR  
SNOOPING THROUGH  
AN ABANDONED  
MINE...

GO ON,  
BONES, ENJOY  
YOURSELF.

LOOK! TWO ARE LEAVING  
WITH THE WOMAN... LET'S GO  
AFTER THEM. THE ODDS  
WOULD BE BETTER.

YOU'RE A  
FOOL, KRAX. OUR  
TARGET IS STILL  
INSIDE...

...WEARING  
THE STRIPES OF  
A STARFLEET  
CAPTAIN!

WE'LL  
TAKE THE  
SCENIC  
ROUTE.

IT'S SO  
BEAUTIFUL  
HERE.

AND  
CALM...

A LITTLE  
*SERENITY* IS JUST  
WHAT THE DOCTOR  
ORDERS.

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NOT NEEDED IN THE MINE, McCOY AND SULU ARE ENJOYING A GUIDED TOUR OF THE PLANET'S FLORAL WONDERS.

BOTANY IS ONE OF MY FAVORITE INTERESTS TOO, MISTER SULU.

JUST SULU...TO MY FRIENDS.

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AH, YOUTH!

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NEARBY...

I STILL SAY WE SHOULD'VE GONE AFTER THOSE IN THE BOAT...BETTER ODDS.

THE STARFLEET CAPTAIN IS OUR TARGET...HE AND THE OTHERS ARE GOING INTO THE MINE.

...AND I HAVE A PLAN TO SHIFT THE ODDS IN OUR FAVOR!

WE USE THIS PART OF THE MINE FOR STORAGE, BUT NO ONE GOES DEEP INTO THE TUNNELS ANYMORE.

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ENTERPRISE TO CAPTAIN KIRK...

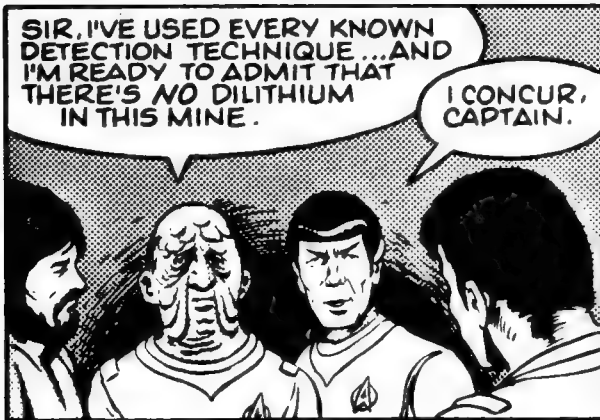
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THE KLINGON SHIP HAS ENTERED A LONG ORBIT, STILL WITHIN OUR SENSOR RANGE. ...AND CAPTAIN, THEY APPEAR TO BE ON IMPULSE POWER!

THANKS, SCOTTY, KEEP AN "EYE" ON THEM.





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I HEAR IT NOW...  
IT DOES SOUND  
LIKE A BABY.

I'M GETTING A LIFE  
READING ... SIXTY  
METERS...THAT  
DIRECTION.

LOOK! ...NO  
WONDER IT'S  
CRYING!

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IT'S BOUND,  
HAND AND  
FOOT!

I KNOW THIS  
BABY... I KNOW  
HER PARENTS!

POOR KID!  
HUSH NOW,  
THE ROPES  
ARE OFF.

WHY WOULD  
ANYONE..

HANDS AGAINST THE WALL,  
NOW! ...OR YOU'LL ALL DIE  
WHERE YOU STAND!

KLINGONS!

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WAB!

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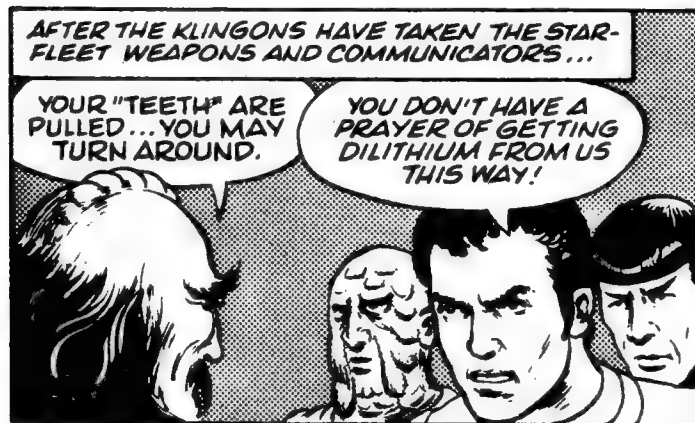




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ROUNDING A BEND IN THE RIVER, MCCOY AND SULU ARE CONFRONTED BY A STARTLING SIGHT...



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...CRASHED HERE BEFORE I WAS BORN. SHALL WE STOP FOR A LOOK?



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IN ODD CONTRAST WITH THE LUSH FOLIAGE SURROUNDING IT, AN AURA OF DEATH AND DECAY SEEMS TO HANG ABOUT THE HUGE WRECK...



THIS IS FANTASTIC! I'VE SEEN KLINGON SHIPS ON THE VIEWER, BUT FROM A DISTANCE. UP CLOSE, THEY'RE...



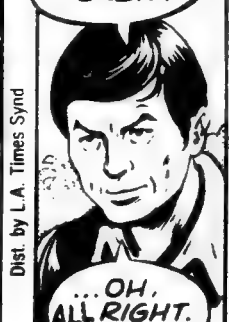
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BONES, I HAVE AN IDEA... WILL YOU GIVE ME A HAND WITH THIS LOOSE PANEL?



NOT A WRECKING CREW!



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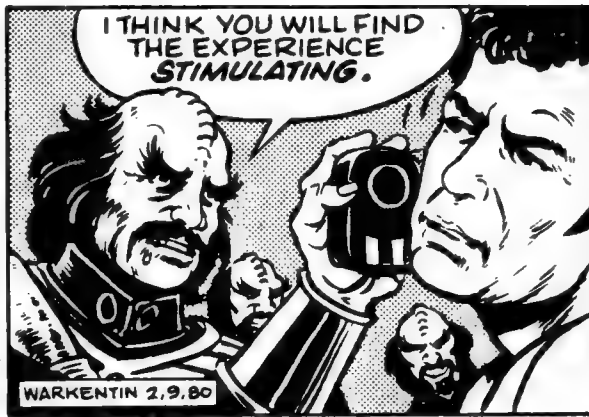
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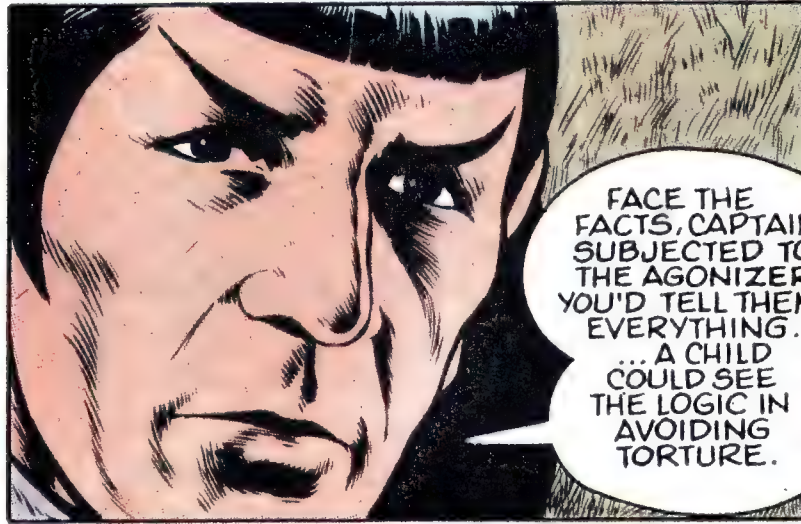
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SPURRED BY THE IMMINENCE OF KIRK'S TORTURE, SPOCK CONCEIVES AN AUDACIOUS ESCAPE SCHEME.

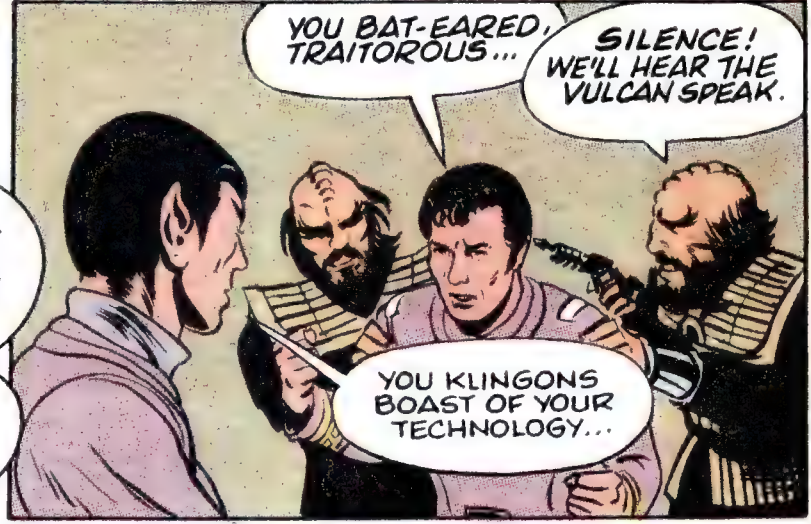
SURELY YOU'VE GUESSED THAT STARFLEET HAS A NETWORK OF HIDDEN DILITHIUM STORES.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT SPOCK'S GAME IS... BUT I'LL PLAY ALONG.

SPOCK! YOU'VE SAID ENOUGH!



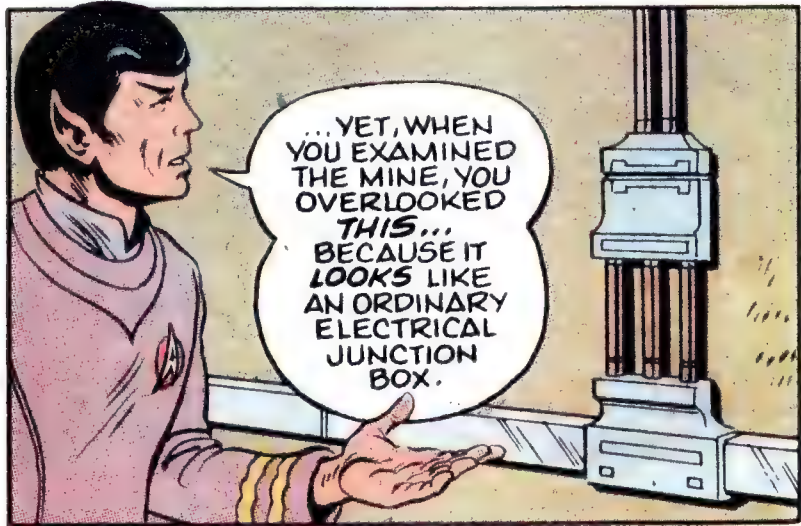
FACE THE FACTS, CAPTAIN. SUBJECTED TO THE AGONIZER, YOU'D TELL THEM EVERYTHING. ... A CHILD COULD SEE THE LOGIC IN AVOIDING TORTURE.



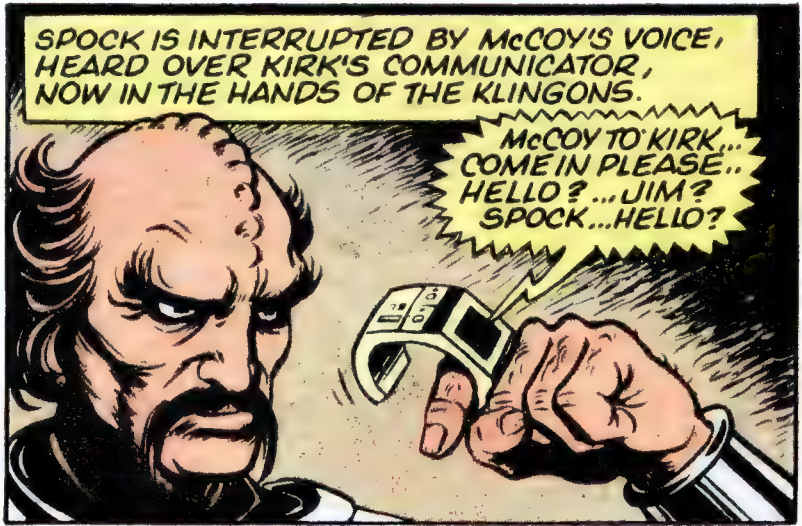
YOU BAT-EARED, TRAITOROUS...

SILENCE! WE'LL HEAR THE VULCAN SPEAK.

YOU KLINGONS BOAST OF YOUR TECHNOLOGY...

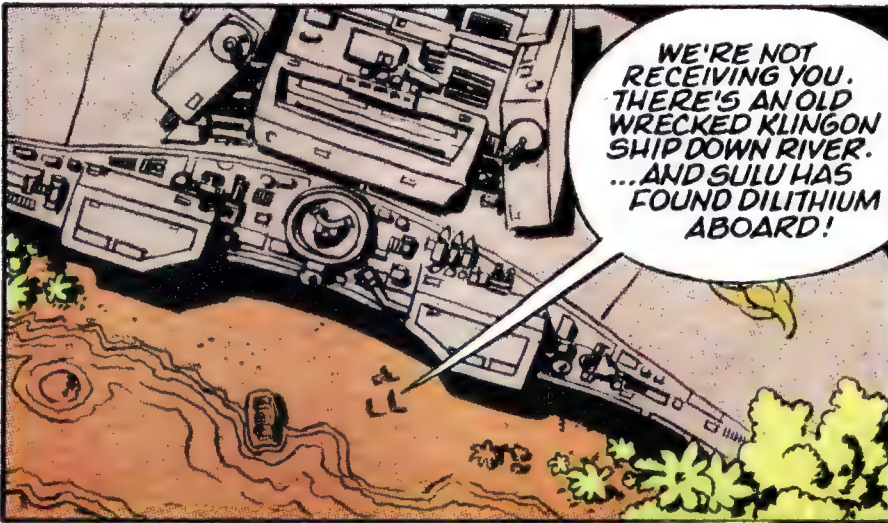


...YET, WHEN YOU EXAMINED THE MINE, YOU OVERLOOKED **THIS...** BECAUSE IT LOOKS LIKE AN ORDINARY ELECTRICAL JUNCTION BOX.



SPOCK IS INTERRUPTED BY MCCOY'S VOICE, HEARD OVER KIRK'S COMMUNICATOR, NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE KLINGONS.

MCCOY TO KIRK... COME IN PLEASE... HELLO? ...JIM? SPOCK...HELLO?



WE'RE NOT RECEIVING YOU. THERE'S AN OLD WRECKED KLINGON SHIP DOWN RIVER. ...AND SULU HAS FOUND DILITHIUM ABOARD!



SO... OUR HOSTAGES HERE ARE BEGINNING TO LOOK LIKE DEAD WEIGHT!

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WITH KIRK'S TORTURE IMMINENT, MCCOY'S VOICE IS HEARD OVER KIRK'S COMMUNICATOR.

THE WRECKED KLINGON SHIP IS A FEW KILOMETERS DOWNSTREAM...



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SULU FOUND MORE DILITHIUM IN IT THAN WE NEED. JIM?... WE'RE STILL NOT RECEIVING YOU. I'LL TRY LATER.



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SO... IF YOU NEED DILITHIUM ALSO, YOUR VALUE AS HOSTAGES IS NIL!

THEY INTEND TO KILL US, ...NOW!



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THAT JUNCTION BOX... OUR ONLY CHANCE!



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SPOCK'S SUDDEN WRENCH AT THE ELECTRICAL LEAD PLUNGES THE TUNNEL INTO INKY DARKNESS...

STOP HIM!



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KRANG!  
ZET!



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IN DARKNESS RELIEVED ONLY BY THE FLASH OF KLINGON WEAPONS, THE HOSTAGES MAKE A BID FOR FREEDOM...

**KRAK!**

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JIM,  
FOLLOW  
ME!

THIS WAY,  
ENSIGN,  
QUICKLY!

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SHORTLY...

THIS MAY  
BE A WAY  
OUT.

SPOCK!  
AREN'T YOU  
FORGETTING  
SOMETHING?

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SPOCK!...WE CAN'T  
JUST LEAVE OUR  
GUIDE AND THAT  
BABY BACK THERE  
WITH THE KLINGONS!

THEY'RE *AHEAD*  
OF US, CAPTAIN, I'M  
FOLLOWING THEIR  
SOUND.

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MISTER SCOTT,  
I HAVE A CALL  
FOR YOU FROM  
DOCTOR MCCOY.



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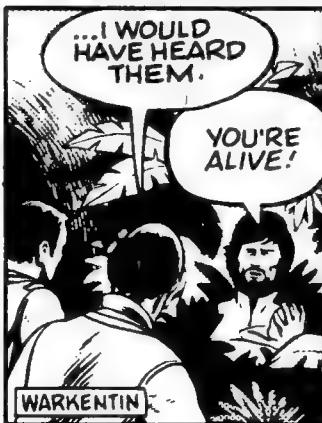
SCOTTY, SULU HAS  
FOUND DILITHIUM, BUT  
WE'VE LOST CONTACT  
WITH KIRK, SPOCK  
AND TASKUL.

GIVE  
ME THE  
DETAILS,  
DOCTOR.



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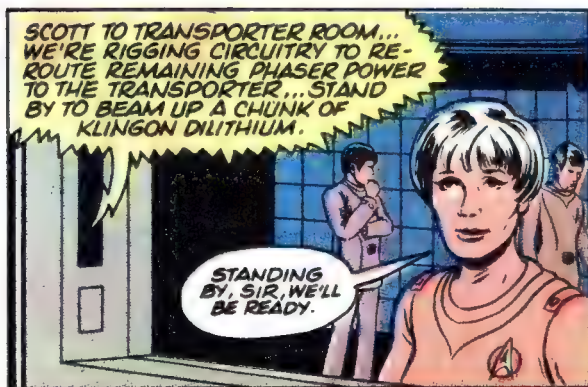
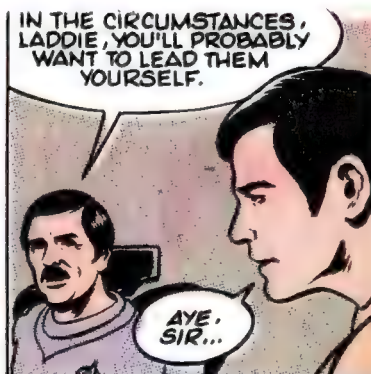
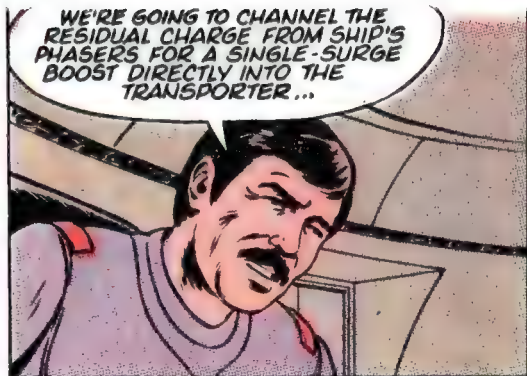
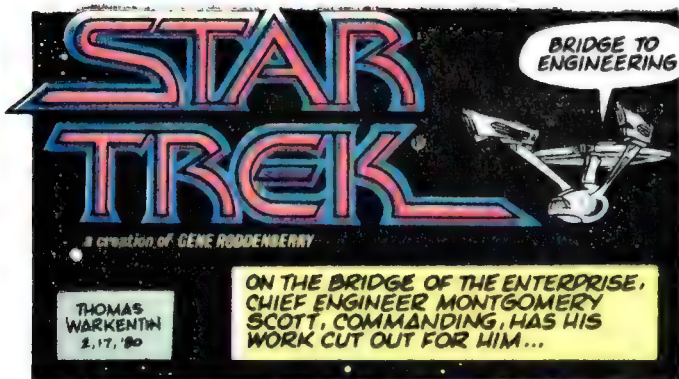
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CAPTAIN'S LOG: STARDATE 7504.7  
CHIEF ENGINEER SCOTT RECORDING.  
IN ORDER TO BEAM UP A QUANTITY  
OF DILITHIUM FOUND BY DOCTOR  
MCCOY AND HELMSMAN SULU, WE  
ARE TAPPING RESIDUAL CHARGE  
FROM SHIP'S PHASERS FOR A  
SINGLE-SURGE BOOST DIRECTLY  
INTO THE TRANSPORTER.

AS THE NARROW-FIELD  
BEAM TAKES HOLD, THE  
DILITHIUM SHIMMERS,  
... THEN VANISHES.



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ALL RIGHT, WE HAVE IT.  
... CHEKOV WILL BEAM  
WITH A SECURITY TEAM  
WHEN WE HAVE FULL  
TRANSPORTER  
FUNCTION ... BUT WE  
CAN'T START  
THE MIX  
COLD.



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MY  
BABY!

WHERE DID  
YOU FIND  
HER?

IT'S A  
LONG STORY...  
THE KLINGONS  
ARE STILL  
HERE!



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THEY'VE BEEN  
HERE... THEY  
SMASHED THE  
RADIO, THEN  
TOOK A BOAT  
DOWN RIVER.



THAT TEARS IT! ... WE'VE  
GOT TO REACH BONES AND  
SULU BEFORE THEY DO...  
CAN YOU LEND US SOME-  
THING THAT FLIES?

SORRY,  
THE BEST WE CAN  
OFFER IS A BOAT,  
AND A SHORTCUT.

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MISTER SCOTT, WE HAVE A TRANSMISSION FROM THE KLINGON VESSEL ...

DO YOU WANT IT ON VISUAL ?

I AM KODRASH, CAPTAIN OF THE IMPERIAL BATTLECRUISER KANDAR. ... I HAVE A MESSAGE FOR YOUR OFFICER IN COMMAND.

THIS IS THE UNITED STARSHIP ENTERPRISE, CHIEF ENGINEER SCOTT COMMANDING ... STATE YOUR BUSINESS.

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WE HAVE RECEIVED CONFIRMATION OF THE CAPTURE OF YOUR CAPTAIN, YOUR FIRST OFFICER, AND ANOTHER ... THEY WILL BE RETURNED IN EXCHANGE FOR DILITHIUM FROM YOUR RESERVES.

IF YOU'RE TELLING THE TRUTH, I HAVE A COUNTER PROPOSAL FOR YOU, KNUCKLEHEAD ... RETURN OUR PEOPLE IN ONE HOUR, OR WE'LL BLAST YE OUT OF EXISTENCE!

WE FIND THAT ALTERNATIVE PREFERABLE TO RETURNING TO THE EMPIRE LATER THAN ORDERED.

MAKE NO MISTAKE, COMMANDER, UNLESS WE GET THAT DILITHIUM, WITHIN THE HOUR ...

YOUR PEOPLE DIE!

ALERTED BY A  
SUDDEN, CLEAR,  
APPREHENSION...



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SULU'S RESPONSE  
IS IMMEDIATE...

GET  
DOWN!



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...AND INTUITIVE.

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WHAT  
THE..

KLINGONS!  
KEEP YOUR  
HEADS DOWN!

WE'RE PINNED!  
THIS BOULDER IS  
THE ONLY COVER  
FOR THIRTY  
METERS!

THEY'LL SOON  
FLANK US AND PICK  
US OFF EASILY!



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I'M GOING TO  
SPRINT FOR THOSE  
TREES AND TRY TO  
GET BEHIND  
THEM.

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KIRK, SPOCK AND TASKUL ARRIVE ON THE SCENE TO FIND THE SITUATION WELL IN HAND.

WELL DONE, GENTLEMEN, WELL DONE!

CAPTAIN..

I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU.

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CHEKOV, PUT THIS RABBLE IN THE BRIG. ... MAXIMUM -- SECURITY.

AYE.

YOU'VE BEATEN US, CAPTAIN... THE "FORTUNES OF WAR."

WAR?... YOU FORGET THE TREATY.

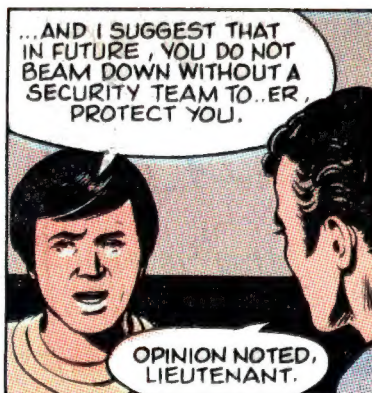
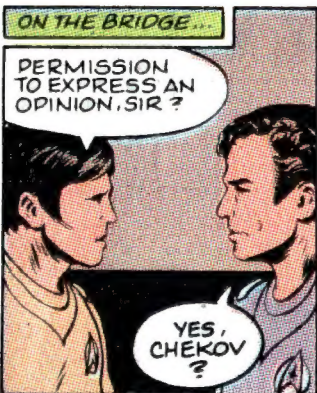
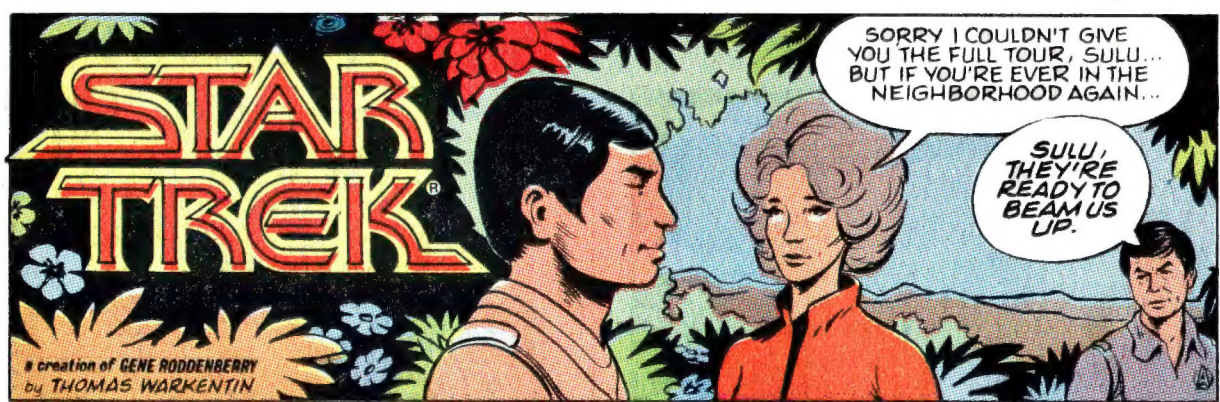
THE TREATY IS A JOKE... BUT WE'RE NOT AFRAID TO FACE A FEDERATION COURT!

YOU'LL BE DENIED THAT HONOR, COMMANDER... I HAVE OTHER PLANS FOR YOU!

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**BACK ABOARD THE ENTERPRISE, KIRK MAKES A CALL TO THE KLINGON SHIP.**

**CAPTAIN, I'M SENDING YOU ENOUGH DILITHIUM TO GET YOU HOME...**

**IN THE SAME POD WITH SOME OF YOUR CREW, WHO COULD USE A LECTURE ON COURTESY... SEE TO IT!**

**WE'VE LOST CONTACT, SIR.**

**HE'S JUST SWITCHED US OFF, UHURA.**



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**STILL MANACLED, THE KLINGONS ARE LOADED INTO A LIFE SUPPORT POD, ALONG WITH A SMALL QUANTITY OF DILITHIUM... KIRK'S GIFT TO THE KLINGON CAPTAIN.**

**MISTER SCOTT, WE'RE READY TO JETTISON THE POD.**

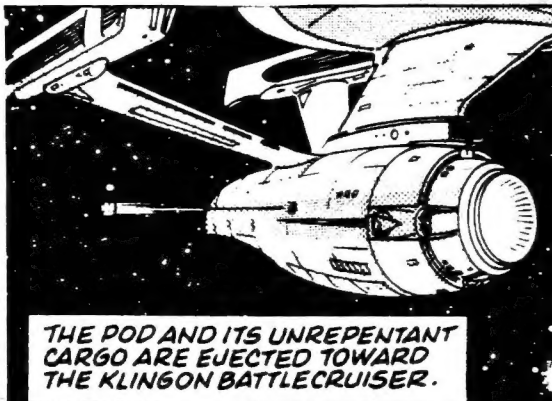
**IF IT WERE UP TO ME, ALL THEY'D GET IS A SWIFT KICK!**

**THE SOONER THE BETTER... GOOD RIDDANCE!**

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**THE POD AND ITS UNREPENTANT CARGO ARE EJECTED TOWARD THE KLINGON BATTLECRUISER.**

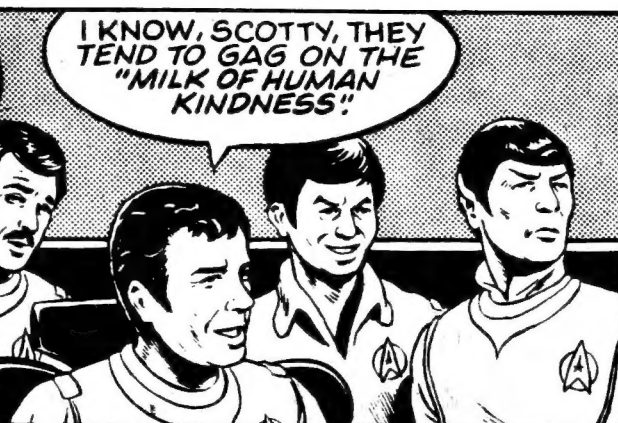




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THOSE ON THE BRIDGE OF THE ENTERPRISE WITNESS AN ACT OF APPALLING BRUTALITY.

THEY'RE FIRING ON THE POD!

THEY DIDN'T TRUST US... THOUGHT WE SENT THEM A BOMB!

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THEY WERE SO SUSPICIOUS THEY KILLED THEIR OWN PEOPLE RATHER THAN RISK A TRAP!

KLINGONS EXPECT OTHERS TO THINK AS THEY DO.

ONLY KLINGONS, DOCTOR?

HAVING DESTROYED THE POD, THE KLINGON SHIP COMES ABOUT ON IMPULSE POWER, TO BEGIN THE LONG, SUB-WARP RETURN JOURNEY.

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